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REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

In reply to the Office action that was mailed in connection with the above-captioned patent application on June 11, 2003, Applicants submit the following Amendment and Remarks.

As a preliminary matter, please find enclosed a Power of Attorney statement authorizing the undersigned to represent the Applicants in this case.